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EXTRACTS FROM THE LOG BOOK (1863 - 73).

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Friday, 19th. School worked well in the morning. In the afternoon teachers engaged with the conduct registers. School in some confusion. ...

Tuesday, 23rd. Holiday on account of clerical meeting, held in the schoolroom. Girls came in the morning.

Monday, June 29th. Classes not in good order while the mistress collected the pence.

30th. Children extremely restless on account of a circus passing round the town.

Wednesday, July 1st. Found one of the monitors reading a little story to Babies. They were attentive.

2nd. Found it necessary to give children half an hour for play in the afternoon, the heat tired them so.

3rd. Weather still very warm. Children soon weary of their lessons and very fidgetty. ...

Friday, 10th. First class (Infant School) read the Psalms for Sunday and wrote out the Collect. This must be done every Friday.

Wednesday, July 19th. Another circus in the town. The children as usual much unsettled and several absent in the afternoon!

17th. Children tired and teachers engaged.

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3 Letters from W. Hutton to
CM. 1865, 1866, 1876
(with transcription)

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1 Three undated letters unsigned & unaddressed
found in an old blotter. Writing paper,
ink indicate same date as reference in
a letter of 1863 or 1864.

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The letters have been copied (see enclosure) 1

2 Sheets of the dated log book of the School as kept from 1863-1878
added. These ^{letters} were sent by Mrs Cowley (Headmistress Marion Tabor)

~~Miss Blackstone~~

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Dorothy Cowley